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UNO Student Government elections underway, candidates vigorously campaign to ensure votes

Bilek plans to increase dialogue with state lawmakers, officials

MARION RHODES
News editor

Student government President/Regent Joe Bilek said his experience is his biggest asset in the run for re-election.

The incumbent said that over the past year, he has become very familiar with the proceedings of student government and is now better prepared than ever to step up to the plate.

"I just feel that I can accomplish much more this next year," Bilek said. "We're still in troubling times. The water is not calm, by any means. I think that with my knowledge now of the situation that we've already experienced, I can definitely benefit the students."

Bilek, a marketing junior in the College of Business Administration, said his biggest concern for the upcoming year is state allocation of funds to the University of Nebraska system on a regular basis.

To achieve this goal, he said he plans to increase contact with state legislators so they will pay more attention to UNO and the other NU campuses in the future when it comes to funding decisions.

Other issues of concern for Bilek include creating more dialogue between students and campus leaders to identify problems and their solutions, increasing student awareness and participation in state and national elections and ensuring that Nebraskans "continue to have the opportunity to obtain higher education."

Other than his year as student body president regent,



Joe Bilek and Kane Miller

Courtesy Photo

Centarri vows to bring state-wide attention to UNO's campus

MARION RHODES
News editor

Campus safety, university lobbying, student apathy and unity are the issues of most concern to Tom Centarri, student President/Regent candidate.

Increasing UNO's image in Nebraska is one of the main promises Centarri made during his campaign. He says his goal is to create a lobbying public relations video to show state senators what UNO has to offer and the achievements of the university. The universities in the NU system received a lot of attention from last year's budget reductions.

Centarri hopes to keep the legislature from overlooking the Omaha campus the next time budget cuts come around.

Centarri, a sophomore business administration major with an emphasis in marketing, is the only candidate running on the ticket of a party. The Rhino Party is an organization founded specifically for this campaign and includes Centarri, his vice presidential candidate, Molly Miller, and his staff.

Centarri says the party is more of a support group to take the nervousness out of some of the candidates than a political wing. He says nervousness is not an issue for him, though.

"I'm ready to do this," he says. "I've been preparing



Molly Miller and Tom Centarri

photo by Josh Williamson

Croskey vies to work closely with students in campus decisions

JOSIE LOZA
Editor-in-chief

The Student Government elections are underway, and Jono Croskey, a student president/regent candidate, has been vigorously campaigning to ensure votes.

Last year, only 2 to 3 percent of students voted in the Student Government elections, Croskey said.

One of his goals is to try and encourage more students to vote in the elections, which will be held today and Wednesday.

"I think that people need to get involved in their university," he said.

Croskey is a junior public relations/advertising major with an emphasis on business.

Croskey and his running mate, Kyle Gunn, plan to promote UNO as a whole more effectively.

"I think we're in the shadow of Lincoln," he said. "We're a growing university and should be recognized for that."

Gunn is a junior at UNO majoring in business and accounting. He has served on the Student Government for a little more than two years.

Croskey said he selected Gunn as his running partner because of his experience on senate and his ability to work well behind the scenes.

"He's the kind of person that when he speaks everyone listens," Croskey said. "Because he speaks from experience."

Their motto: "A new generation at UNO."

Croskey believes the face of the student body has



Kyle Gunn and Jono Croskey

photo by Josh Williamson

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Administrative decision on UNO communication department's fate is expected to be reached soon

CARRIE ZAAYER
Senior staff writer

Faculty and staff members from the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Fine Arts hope to reach a decision in the next month or so about a proposed change that would move the Department of Communication, UNO Radio and UNO Television to the College of Fine Arts.

The result would be a new college with a new name, said Shelton Hendricks, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. A decision needs to be reached so that a search can begin for a dean in the College of Fine Arts, he said. Currently, Robert Welk is serving as the interim dean of the

One goal of a move would be to give broadcast majors a closer link to the radio and television units, Hendricks said.

"The other is that there are some similarities between fine arts majors and communication," he said. "Among the similarities are that they tend to be more professionally oriented than the typical arts and sciences department."

Deborah Smith-Howell, chair of the Department of Communication, said no official vote has been made and nothing is final.

Any changes that might be made will not affect students in their current major, Smith-Howell said. Students are always given the option to stay and complete the program in the catalogue that was active when they entered the

"If we do make changes in the curriculum, it will be types of things that benefit students in the long run," she said.

Hendricks said if the new college is created, students currently in the communication department would have the choice to complete their degree in the College of Arts and Sciences or the new college.

"Right now, because it's in Arts and Sciences, it's simply a bachelor's of arts or a bachelor's of science," Hendricks said. A degree from the new college would be modified to be a bachelor's arts or a bachelor's of science in communication, for example.

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Cat hunt in Memorial Park concludes with no results

PARKER ADAIR
Senior staff writer

A large animal believed to be a bobcat or puma was spotted near 62nd Street and Underwood Avenue on Saturday night.

People living in the area made reports to Omaha police around 7 p.m. They complained about the cat going through neighborhood yards.

Shortly before 10 p.m., Omaha police dispatched a call on police radio about another sighting. A person called police to say that the animal was in their backyard. Police were sent to search the yard of a house at 6247 Underwood Ave.

Immediately after the call was made, Omaha police blocked Underwood Avenue from 63rd to 64th Streets.

At least a dozen people, five police cars and Omaha's police helicopter unit was involved in the search for the large animal. Officers were armed

with special equipment to capture the animal. They searched the neighborhood and Memorial Park.

Bystanders were told to leave the area and not to get too close.

At 10:25 p.m., officers were called to meet at the northwest parking lot of Memorial Park to continue the search with the help of the Nebraska Humane Society.

Larry Brayman, a Humane Society field supervisor, also participated in the search. He was armed with a tranquilizer gun. Three other Humane Society employees aided him.

Brayman, who was pessimistic about finding the cat, confirmed that Omaha Police had seen the animal.

An Omaha police cruiser was sent to search the west creek bed of Memorial Park while other officers searched the east side.

At approximately 10:30 p.m. five officers searched the wooded area near the east side of the park for the animal.

Groups of people gathered near the park to observe the search from the paved area atop Memorial Park.

Another cat sighting was made by police officers at 10:44 p.m.

"They can see its eyes and it's moving slowly," an officer said over a police radio.

The police helicopter unit searching from above continued to light up the park and neighborhood as four Omaha Police cruisers searched through the foliage, using their alley lights. Officers also shined flashlights.

"We never saw any tracks, but there's still a 50/50 chance. They saw eyes, but it could be a bobcat or a much smaller housecat," Brayman said.

Brayman also mentioned that pumas are not native to the area and neither are bobcats. Brayman's theory was that the first puma might have stowed away on a coal train coming from Wyoming. He did not believe that one or more pumas might have made the trek as a pair.

Campus news briefs

MARION RHODES
News editor

2003 New Student Orientation

UNO reported 1,553 freshmen attended New Student Orientation this past summer. In addition, 411 transfer students and five re-admitted students participated in the sessions. Six parent orientation sessions were also held. UNO reported that the percentage of incoming freshmen taking part in the orientation has increased steadily since 2000 and now stands at 97 percent. This year marked the first year of a partnership between UNO and First National Bank of Omaha for the event. The bank sponsored food and raffled off a \$250 scholarship. The partnership will continue in the future, a UNO official said.

Free self-defense classes offered Wednesday

Campus Recreation and the Women's Resource Center will offer free self-defense classes for students and faculty from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday. The classes will meet in Room 110 of the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building. To register, visit Room 100 in the HIPER building or the Women's Resource Center, located on the first floor of the Milo Bail Student Center.

Women's Health and Wellness Conference

The sixth annual Omaha Women's Health and Wellness Conference will be held Friday at the Omaha Marriott in Regency. The event, which is sponsored in part by UNO, will be held between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The conference will include sessions on caregiving, healthy skin, midlife sexuality, grandparents raising grandchildren and aging. Keynote speakers will be Omaha physician Debra Mostek and motivational humorist Joan Burney. Several UNO faculty members will give presentations. The cost is \$30 to attend. For more information, call 559-6345.

Career Fairs Global holds job fair in Omaha Oct. 21

Career Fairs Global will hold a career fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Holiday Inn Central, 3321 S. 72nd St. The event is free and features local and national companies. A list of attending organizations is available at www.cfg-inc.com. People are encouraged to submit their resumes online whether or not they attend the event.

Flu Shots available Oct. 30 in the MBSC

Student Health Services will be offering flu shots to UNO faculty, staff and students Oct. 30. They will be given from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in SHS on the first floor of the Milo Bail Student Center. The shots are \$10 for students and \$15 for faculty and

staff. No appointment is necessary and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 554-2374.

Belltower Challenge to be held Wednesday

Eta Sigma Gamma, a health education honorary at UNO, will sponsor the 10th annual Bell Tower Challenge at noon, beneath the Henningson Campanile, on Wednesday. Teams of three people will stack cans of food while the bells toll at noon. The food goes to benefit the Omaha Food Bank. Prizes go to the team that stacks the most cans as well as to the most creative and the most enthusiastic stackers. Categories are students and faculty/staff/administration. To celebrate the event's 10th birthday, faculty, staff and students are invited to form a flash mob and help create a "crop circle" between 11:15 and 11:30 a.m. by bringing a can of food and adding it to a design of stacked cans around the Henningson Campanile. Participants should write a short personal message or statistic related to food, hunger, poverty or homeless shelters on the cans. Entry forms and contest rules for the challenge are available online at www.unomaha.edu/~healthed/BT.html. For more information, contact David Corbin at 554-2670 or dcorbin@unomaha.edu.

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Campus Crime Log

MARION RHODES
News editor

Wednesday, Sept. 24

1:35 p.m. — Student reported theft of personal property from the Milo Bail Student Center.

Thursday, Sept. 25

2 p.m. — Student reported theft of university property from the Strauss Performing Arts Center.
11:11 p.m. — Student reported theft of personal property from grounds near library.

Sunday, Sept. 28

3:05 p.m. — Student reported theft of personal property from a vehicle parked in lot seven.

Monday, Sept. 29

8:51 p.m. — Student

reported theft of personal property from Rosken's Hall.

Tuesday, Sept. 30

12:07 a.m. — Faculty member reported theft of motor vehicle from Lot A.

Wednesday, Oct. 1

11:30 a.m. — Faculty member reported theft of personal property from the Strauss Performing Arts Center.

2:18 p.m. — Student reported theft of personal property from the Milo Bail Student Center.

Monday, Oct. 6

12:23 p.m. — Student reported theft of personal property from University Village.

KIMBERLY BRYANT
Copy editor

Members of UNO's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) community celebrated National Coming Out Day on Friday, Oct. 10. This year's theme was "It's a Family Affair."

"By far, this was the most impressive one we've had," said Gay and Lesbian Organization adviser Wally Bacon in regards to the event, which was held in the Milo Bail Student Center's Nebraska Room.

The event was hosted by GALO and the UNO Women's Resource Center.

Bacon said last Friday's rally had the largest number of people, with an estimated 75 in attendance during its peak.

Members from local organizations such as the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN—pronounced "glisten") and the Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PLFAG) spoke at the rally. Singers, past and present GALO members also helped to celebrate the event.

Bacon said the National Coming Out Day is a time for GLBT people to be proud of who they are. "It's a pretty important time for people who are struggling to come out of the closet," he said.

Not only was the day a time for GLBT people to come out, GALO secretary, Dan Rojas said it was also "a way of showing support for the friends, families and parents of GLBT people."

As a Goodrich scholar, Rojas said he was part of a culturally diverse group of students. That group, however, was a large group of culturally heterosexual students.

"Being gay is not just about sex, it's a culture in itself," GALO has been in and out of existence since the late 1980s, has been a consistent organization for the last three years.

The purpose of GALO, according to Bacon, was to have a student organization that would give support to GLBT students

and provide a support network on campus where they could talk about some of their problems in terms of tolerance on campus.

About 120 people are involved in GALO. Rojas said there has been a rise in involvement and meeting attendance.

The group holds meetings every other Thursday, performs community service and organizes National Coming Out Day events.

After transferring from Metropolitan Community College to UNO, Rojas joined GALO to meet more people like him. He said having an organization like GALO is definitely important for GLBT students.

For more information on GALO and its meetings and events, go to <http://www.angelfire.com/home/GALO/>.



Krystal Brown speaks at GALO event.

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Student President/ Regent Debate



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changed over the past five years due to the expansion of the campus.

UNO is rapidly changing, he said, and it needs leaders who are willing to represent such change.

"UNO needs some one to stand up for the new rights of this new generation," he said.

Croskey plans to meet more with student clubs and organizations to discuss their needs.

"I want to understand students more," he said. "The best way to see what the student body needs is by addressing problems with these kinds of organizations."

Croskey said he is the best candidate for the position because he believes he is able to connect more with students.

"People just know me as the outgoing guy that cares about everyone," he said. "I truly want to just know about people."

Croskey hopes he can keep administration on their toes if he is elected as student president/regent.

"UNO needs a speaking person to

promote everyone on campus," he said "I have that ability."

Croskey first served on the Student Government in the fall 2001 as a senator for the sophomore seat. He was later named chair of student affairs. In the fall of 2002 he was appointed to take over the position of Legislation and Public Relations.

Although he enjoyed serving as the LPR representative, he went back to serving as a senator.

"I felt I could help the student body more with a voting right," he said.

Croskey has pushed many legislative bills through Student Government. He recently helped come up with the idea to lower the costs of general admission tickets at UNO hockey games for students at the new Qwest Center. The tickets now cost \$5.

He helped negotiate funding for a new climbing wall in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building.

Croskey is also involved in the Student Vice Chancellor Leadership Board, UNO's Ad Club and is a student orientation leader.

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Bilek's experience includes vice president, university division senator, student affairs committee chair, Who's Who among American Colleges and Universities, Vice Chancellor's Leadership Committee chair, Inter-fraternity Council president and Pi Kappa Alpha recruitment director.

In the community, Bilek is involved in Adopt-a-Highway, Boy Scouts of America, United Way and the American Red Cross.

Bilek has chosen Kane Miller as his

running mate. Miller, a graduate assistant for fitness and wellness programs at UNO, currently serves as vice president for Student Government under Bilek. He is a graduate student working on his master's degree in Health and Fitness Management.

Bilek said he knows he is running against a strong competition this year. However, he said what may be an obstacle for him will be a plus for the student body.

"Whoever gets chosen, the students will definitely benefit."

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He said it's a tradition in academia that only liberal arts colleges, such as the College of Arts and Sciences, give unmodified bachelors of arts or bachelors of science degrees.

Smith-Howell said the move is not being considered as a means to cut the

department in any way. Also, the communication department would not move from its location in the Arts and Sciences Hall.

A final proposal for the change would have to be approved by the chancellor and the Board of Regents.

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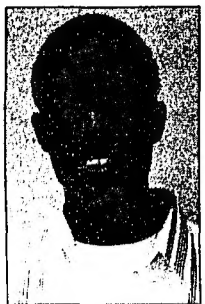
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An inquiry into the nature of political morality, defining its role

Coming to America



Fisayo Adejuyigbe

The idealism of humans has been the greatest cloak for their mischief. I do not find any striking differences between the ideals espoused by despots and their supposedly "free" counterparts. One – a "democrat" speaks of freedom and liberty and justice for all. The other one a "dictator", speaks of freedom and liberty from the hands of the "democrat."

One, a "democratic ruler" speaks of equality – the other a "violent terrorist and enemy of civilization" speaks of ejecting the "colonizing armies" of the "democratic ruler" from the corners of his country. Hardly has any despot risen to power with a message of strife and destruction – the path to tyranny is more often lined with honey-coated words of deceptive righteousness than it is with outrightly bellicose tunes. The ideals, which human societies have claimed they live by, have been faulted on many occasions – yet, the justification for the actions of states since the advent of the modern era has always been some form of idealism and some form of objective righteousness. After World War II – the global community said, "never again" to genocide on such horrific scales. But it happened – in Bosnia and in Rwanda. We are well aware of

the hypocrisy of the parties that were engaged in WWII, but yet, we continue to be swindled by well-crafted words designed to lead persons astray. Why? The reason is the human condition and I will explain here in a bit.

When a person comes with a message of noble ideals and aspirations, that message strikes a chord with the audience. The audience, burdened by the complexities of its present circumstance seeks to live up to the ideals. But a problem arises – how does it do that? The answer is to be found in the guidance of the messenger – hence, the messenger transcends his original relationship with the audience and becomes a shepherd and the audience assumes the role of the sheep. But in the course of pursuit, other problems arise and they arise with greater frequency. The sheep again turn to the shepherd – and now the solution is not just guidance, it is lordship – for advice and counsel having failed, instructions and commands must be given. As time passes by, lordship becomes despotism and tyranny. Because the messenger/shepherd/lord is no more than a sheep in pursuit of the same carnal objectives the ideals preached were designed to procure, exploitation thus becomes the easiest way to attain those ends.

When this simple rule is understood, it becomes easier to understand why the proponents of democracy and human rights can be shown to possess some of the greatest violations in this regard. It then becomes clear why the oil companies who now rejoice at the fall of the Taliban were quite willing to fete and feast them four years ago in spite of the knowledge of their atrocities. In a bid to "usher in a better system of

governance", some have assumed the role of messenger and have cloaked themselves, much like cult leaders, in the garb of ideals and noble thoughts. The world then becomes their playing ground, their feasting ground and their toilet because an acknowledgement of the nobility of the ideal often transmutes itself into an idolization of the messenger.

At the end of the day, the morality of our course of action cannot be determined objectively. The last man standing always appears to be right, be he a communist, a fascist or a democrat. What people seek most of all is gratification of some kind and any idea that can guarantee this will be adopted and given the place of honor. In the light of that observation, I do not see why the words democracy, human rights, individualism, free markets, etc., can be accepted as primary justification for any course of action taken by states; be it war or sanctions, etc. Of course it might be necessary for "us" to pay lip service to these concepts in public. In the long run, they are the ideals that transform us from ordinary messenger to tyrant and lord of all. But really, deep down inside, "we" must agree that once these concepts have outlived their usefulness, they will be retired like others before them. The universality and eternity of the moral assertions suggested by these concepts is something "we" cannot accept – for "our" own good – and "our" actions, down through history bear witness to these facts. "We" bend here a little, twist there a little, support a tyrant here, support a dictator there and crush helpless persons all over the place. Why? Not because "we" are really bad people, but because "we" are after the same thing everybody else is after – riches, territory and security.

Letters to the Editor

Dear editor,

After reading "In Iraq, freedom rings," I seem unable to share in the author's broad perspective of the world war, much less bask in the bliss that the article could have produced had it not been subject to such botched rationale. Although it is worth noting that I don't disagree with the author on all the points made throughout the article. I do, however, find it difficult to swallow some of the logic used to give the article its cohesiveness in helping to determine how he came to the conclusions he came to. Let us explore, shall we?

My first reservation in the article appeared when the author started lumping ideas and comments into camps. This was done predominantly by using generalizations and sloppy inductive reasoning to accomplish the author's goal of conveying his message to the masses, namely that if liberals were wrong in one instance, why should we listen to them in the first place?

Personally, I don't know why one should have to listen to the other at all –

liberal, conservative or otherwise. Let's revisit this argument, shall we? The "liberals" (lefties) were wrong on the issue of Iraq, therefore they must be wrong in general. The Nazis were conservationists, the Nazis killed millions of innocent people. Therefore conservatism equates kill millions of innocent people, or perhaps even Hitler was a vegetarian. Hitler was evil, therefore vegetarianism is evil. Is anyone starting to see something here (other than how I invoked Hitler to make a point)? Lumping groups and ideas can be a dangerous thing. Personally, some thoughts I hold may be considered liberal in nature while others conservative, but just because I accept an idea from the "liberal camp" doesn't follow that I in turn must accept all arguments associated with that faction. I can perhaps argue that abortion is wrong and yet condemn Bush for his policies on the economy. That's right, I can have my cake and eat it too. As long as my ideas don't come into conflict with one another, there is no contradiction of political

ideology.

Personally I find the "liberal" question of the weapons of mass destruction to be a fairly valid argument to be advanced in today's political climate – as it was one of the fundamental selling points for war. However, I understand that just because we are incapable of locating them doesn't mean that they aren't necessarily there. The inability to find such weapons also does not mean that Saddam did not have them in his possession. We only know that he must have had them at one point in time, or else it would have been difficult to gas the Kurds. However, this does not mean that since he had them at one point he still has them today.

While I do agree that Saddam was an evil SOB, and that we were perhaps justified either by our position in the world, or perhaps even morally speaking, to rid humanity of such a despot. There was never a doubt in my mind if we could tackle Saddam; it was the "What then?" question which

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Dear editor,

October is here, which means leaves will be falling, midterms are not far away and that the UNO Student Government Elections will once again be occurring on our campus! As a current senator for the College of Business Administration on Student Government at UNO, there has been one question that I have heard plenty of times: "Why should I care about what they are doing?"

I want to answer that question once and for all, and hopefully disprove some of the assumptions about the Student Government at UNO.

Over the years, Student Government has made several contributions to the UNO Campus and community. Did you know that among many other things, we just recently contributed money towards the flooring for the rock climbing wall in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building, better lighting in the two Roskens Hall study rooms, and a Smart Cart for the Milo Bail Student Center? We also held several discussion panels regarding the recent budget cuts, as well as organized a trip for any and all interested students to go Lincoln and convey our concerns about the situation to the officials at the Capitol.

Now one might be curious as to why I am overwhelming you with all of this information, and the explanation is clear. Student Government exists for the students! So what can you do? I am so glad you asked! The senators can only represent you if you tell them how you wish to be represented. Every senator is required to fulfill office hours each week, so all you have to do is stop in the Student Government office and find out when those scheduled office hours are for the senators who represent you. I promise that we are not scary, and we would love to see more people come visit us, even if it is just to say hi!

The most crucial action you can take towards Student Government right now is simple, when the

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Dear editor,

I would like to respond to Dan Koborg's column "In Iraq Freedom Rings" with: What the heck is he talking about? Has he been living under a rock since the so-called "end of the war?" Let me explain this to you in simple terms so you and people who think like you can understand. First, there were NO, I repeat to make this clear to you, NO IRAQIS ON THE PLANES that struck our beloved country two years ago. President Bush himself admits that Saddam's regime had no terrorist connection and that it wasn't about weapons of mass destruction. With the military's inability to find these weapons Bush, is of course, distancing himself from them.

Mr. Koborg is right in the

fact that mass groups of Iraqis did not attack the U.S. troops during the invasion, but there was no flag waving welcome of American troops as promised by President Bush. In fact, troops today continue to face small arms attacks and Iraqi Police are afraid to go into certain areas. In a place of democracy and freedom, this would not be the case.

The column also talks about the success the U.S. is having with the war on terrorism, but in F O R G O T T E N AFGHANISTAN, the only place that freedom rings is within the city limits of Kabul. In country villages and other cities outside Kabul, women still live under fear and oppression as the Taliban moves back to their homes. The U.S. has to rely on

Pakistan, "our so-called friend," and true home of most of the Taliban to turn over terrorists at their convenience, and when the price is right. The troops cannot finish the Taliban where they reside, as we promised, because Pakistan is supposedly our friend. Thus we are unable to retrieve Osama Bin Laden, the true mastermind behind 9/11.

Finally, Mr. Koborg writes one final myth, "It is important to understand that terrorism is not born, trained, or harbored in democratic countries." Koborg forgets about names like Timothy McVeigh, John Walker Lindh and John Muhammad. These men were American-born and lived where democracy was a way of life. So what happened? We still allow

groups like the Michigan Militia, the Ku Klux Klan and Neo Nazi fanatics practice with automatic weapons within our borders. The Second Amendment protects a citizen's right to own an automatic weapon, even though automatic weapons are not used for hunting. What are they used for? Hmmmm... And if a religious fanatic wants to disappear with his followers in the mountains, it is his or her right in America.

I'm not saying that these things are wrong or that the war on terrorism's initial rhetoric is wrong. I'm just asking once and for all for Mr. Koborg and people who think like him to keep things in perspective and get educated on the facts.

Sincerely,

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40 Days of Purpose

ARIANA TAJDINI
Staff writer

Do you ever wonder what on earth you are here for? It's a question many students ask themselves. Those who want to find out may benefit from participating in 40 Days of Purpose.

A national campaign, 40 Days of Purpose began Oct. 11 and will continue through Nov. 23. During this time, many churches all around the world will come together to explore and help people find their missions in life. According to www.celebrationcovenant.org, by the end of this six-week journey, everyone who attends is supposed to grasp God's purpose for them, be able to understand "the big picture" and know how all the pieces in life are intended to fit together.

Jodie Heitmann, a UNO student, is taking the leadership role by partaking in the 40 Days of Purpose to help the students here on campus find their passions in life. The book she will discuss during the 40 days is *The Purpose Driven Life* by Rick Warren.

Warren has sold more than a million copies of this book in more than 20 languages. He is the winner of the Gold Medallion Ministry Book of the Year and his book was selected as one of the 100 Christian books that changed the 20th century. He also was named one of the top 25 influential people in Orange County, Calif.

"This book can really change someone's life," Heitmann said.

Since reading this book, she said it has given her a greater understanding on how to prioritize and lead a more effective and efficient life.

The book talks about the willingness to take the time and find your passions in life and prioritize them in order to have a more meaningful life.

Heitmann said the book, which will be handed out free to all who attend, will be a wonderful gift.

The campaign's meetings will be held Thursdays through Nov. 23, beginning with this Thursday, Oct. 16. Meetings will be held at 3 p.m. in Room 302 of the UNO campus library.

For further information, contact Heitmann at 672-8669 or via e-mail at jlhmusic@hotmail.com, or log on to www.celebrationcovenant.org.

Got Milk? Which flavor?

MIKE SEBBY
Staff writer

The choice between plain milk and chocolate milk has recently become much more difficult.

Now milk drinkers can choose from a wide variety of flavors, thanks to dairy companies such as Promised Land Dairy, Kreider Farms and Ronnybrook Farm Dairy. Some of these unconventional flavors include strawberry, orange cream, amaretto, peach, banana and even coffee-flavored milks.

Following in the footsteps of the adventurous dairy producers, Krispy Kreme Doughnuts is now carrying a number of its own lactose concoctions in select stores. Aside from its special "Original Kreme" milk (served hot or cold), customers



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Backstreets offers comfortable atmosphere and large menu selection

REVIEW BY SOMMER LEINBACH
Staff writer

Backstreets, located at 80th and Center Streets, is not ultra hip and swanky. It doesn't model neon countertops, contemporary furniture or illusions of New York City splashy society. There is no drink list of clever martinis and wine. Backstreets does not draw downtown 20-somethings looking to "be seen" — and that's where it draws its charm.

What Backstreets has instead is a café counter, a stocked bar, dim lighting and cozy Formica tables. Instead offering a menu for a plush expensive lifestyle, it has a menu with more than 120 items. None of which are in another language or consist of ingredients you've never cooked with yourself. Backstreets is about All-American, laid back comfort food.

Old record covers line the ceiling all around the room, consisting mostly of Broadway musical soundtracks. Cardboard cutout Halloween decorations fill the windows. It's easy to imagine the bar being packed and loud on game days with appetizers of nachos supreme and Buffalo chicken fingers being passed around.

It took my companion and I nearly 15 minutes to decide on what to order. With more than 120 items to choose from, all of which are favorite foods of one kind or another, decision-making is difficult. Fish and chips, hot open faced sandwiches, old-fashioned meat loaf and pancakes are among the traditional items listed in their extensive breakfast, lunch and dinner menu.

Eventually, we gave in and ordered two appetizers, the chili cheese and onion potato skins (\$4.99) and the pepper poppers (\$5.99). The potato skins were not the frozen, microwave-heated kind you find at many sports bars. They came loaded with chili and cheese, served with sour cream. The poppers were not hot, a disappointment for me but approved by my weaker-stomached companion. The poppers are served with salsa but our waitress recommended we try them with ranch dressing as well. It turned out to be a worthy recommendation.

I ordered a veggie melt (\$5.89). The melt comes with tomatoes, mushrooms, cucumber and cheese topped on sourdough bread with a side of poppy seed dressing. During my visit, Backwoods was out of cucumber, which was unfortunate, but the sandwich was still pretty good and the poppy seed dressing is now my favorite mayo substitute on all my sandwiches. We also had the Backstreet sirloin (\$8.99). At a perfect medium rare, the

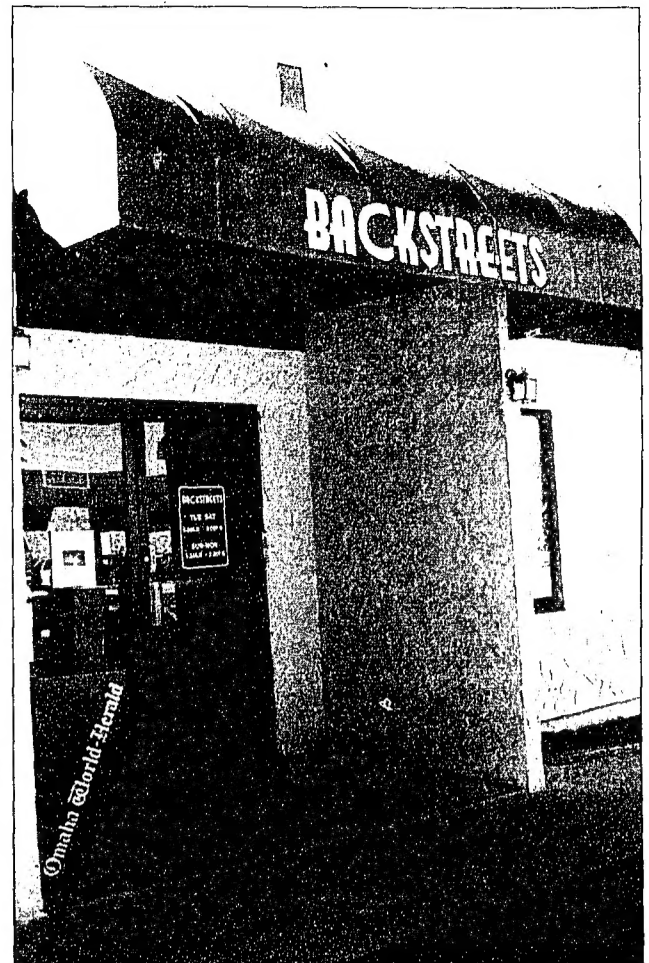


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Backstreets is located near 80th and Center streets.



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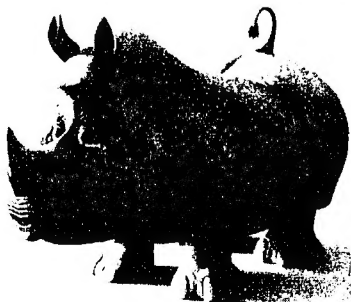
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ALAS works to improve the Latino community

MELISSA KUCIREK
Staff writer

When Angelica Sanchez first heard of the Association of Latino American Students, she thought it would be an ideal opportunity for her to meet other Latinos.

"I wanted to feel like I was in their group," Sanchez said. "It did start out as a social group, for me personally, but the more I got involved, the more I realized it does volunteering too."

Sanchez, current ALAS president, is talking about the group's commitment to the UNO Latino community, as well as the Omaha Metro community.

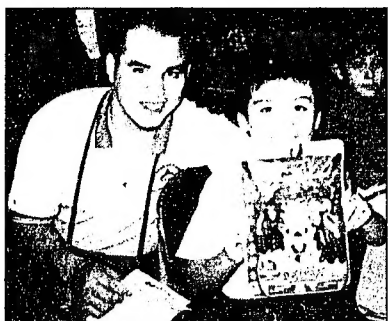
Glenn Lewis, former ALAS president and senior broadcasting major, said the group traces its roots to 1971. Then, known as La Causa, students utilized it as more of a civil rights movement.

In the 1980s, it became the Hispanic Student Organization. Moving into the 1990s, the group changed to its current title.

During Latino Heritage Month, ALAS has its members support social events sponsored by UNO such as the Latino Comedy Project, a showing of the movie *El Norte* and volunteering at an annual Latino/Latina Youth Conference. Latino Heritage Month began Sept. 15 and will soon end Oct. 15.

"The Latino Youth Conference is mainly for high school students and younger," said Sanchez, a sophomore business major. "I personally enjoyed this experience. They saw us as Latinos helping out in the community."

The group's mission, which also states, "to install a sense of pride and accomplishment, as well as a feeling of kinship and belonging among all Latino students attending UNO," is being carried out, she said.



Armando Salgado gives a St. Agnes student a gift.

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ALAS presents gifts to students for their annual toy drive.

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can choose between chocolate milk, hot chocolate or raspberry milk. If customers want even more variety, they also have the option of using Krispy Kreme's "flavor syrups" to add to their milk, in "Original Kreme," hazelnut, caramel, almond, vanilla, cinnamon, raspberry and chocolate flavors.

Not to be outdone, Dr. Pepper/Seven-Up, Inc. launched its own brand of flavored milk under the name "Raging Cow." Attempting to target young adults, Raging Cow crashed into the market bearing five eccentric flavors: Chocolate Insanity, Piña Colada Chaos, Chocolate Caramel Craze, Berry Mixed Up and Jamocha Frenzy. The Raging Cow mascot, a freakish cartoon depiction of a bovine wielding a pitchfork, made headway for such taglines as "It's Udder Madness!" and "Pasteurize This!" Dr. Pepper/Seven-Up's dairy endeavor began in an aggressive ad campaign earlier this year, including an original concept of keeping a fake Web log ("blog") on the official Web site, used for the sole purpose of promoting the non-traditional milk beverage with anecdotes and stories regarding the Raging Cow mascot.

Newcomer Mac Farms, Inc., founded in 1998, just recently burst out into the milk

market with something never thought possible: carbonated milk. George and Mary Ann Clark founded the company after two years of experimenting with a formula for adding fizz to milk. Now, seven years after they began their rigorous research and testing, the Clarks finally have something to show for it in the form of e-MOO and Refreshing Power Milk. Their intentions with e-MOO is to market it to grade school students as an alternative to soft drinks and other beverages lacking proper vitamins and proteins.

e-MOO is available in Chocolate-Zing, Mooberry, Bubbleblast and Orange Sparkle flavors.

RPM, on the other hand, is geared toward a more mature audience. Boasting low calories and the ability to replenish energy, RPM is available in Vanilla Cappuccino, Brazilian Chocolate and Chocolate Raspberry flavors.

The Clarks hope to have their carbonated dairy beverages circulated to various school cafeterias.

Now the simple "Got Milk?" campaign will leave consumers across the nation scratching their heads as they try to make a decision that was once thought to be so simple: What flavor?

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sirloin was thick and juicy and deliciously spiced. It came with a green bean dish with bacon and onions and a side of mashed potatoes and gravy. You'd be hard pressed to find a more home-style quality meal.

We ended up ordering too much food, a common lament when we go out for lunch or dinner. But everything was really well done, and even when the food wasn't fantastic, it was never bad.

Backstreets seems to be tucked away secretly from the street, catering to regulars who, when we watched them walk in, were waved to and greeted by name by the waitress.

Backstreets is a comfortable home away from home, with food you could make yourself, and probably do, but at least here you don't have to do the dishes afterward.



photo by Danelle Petersen

Backstreets has more than 120 items on its menu including hot open-faced sandwiches, old-fashioned meatloaf and pancakes.

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Kill Bill: Vol. 1 gushes with excitement

MIKE SEBBY
Staff writer

The idea of bringing old school kung fu films into mainstream American cinema sounds like such a risky and fruitless effort all together. Because, c'mon, who really watched those films from start to finish other than to make fun of the horrible overdubbing?

Well, somehow, in a way that no other director could probably pull it off, Quentin Tarantino did it. And he did it good.

However, before launching into this review, there is one enormous disclaimer to *Kill Bill: Vol. 1*.

Moviegoers might happen to accidentally miss the "Vol. 1" tacked to the end of the title. Yes, this is not a complete movie. *Kill Bill* was originally made as one film, but was so long that Tarantino split it into two parts.

So please understand that this technically isn't a full movie and is rather just the first half of an epic tale. So it must be treated as such and not be judged for being too "unsatisfying" or "incomplete."

The plot, which is somewhat difficult to decipher from watching commercials or trailers, is actually quite simple. The Bride (Uma Thurman), whose real name is kept under wraps, seeks sweet revenge after awaking from a coma four years after being ambushed at her own wedding where everyone was killed except for her. The only thing she remembers is that her attackers were four members of The Deadly Viper Assassin Squad, a group that she once belonged to under the leadership of Bill (David Carradine).

Although Tarantino makes a point of showing the scenes out of order (a distinct trademark of his), the movie is divided into chapters and is somewhat easy to follow. To make things clear, The Bride (otherwise known as "Black Mamba") makes a simple list called "The Death-List Five" and lists the names of her enemies, including the four assassins and Bill.

Her former fellow assassins are as follows: O-Ren Ishi, a.k.a. "Cottonmouth" (Lucy Liu), Vernita Green, a.k.a. "Copperhead" (Vivica A. Fox), Elle Driver, a.k.a. "California Mountain Snake" (Daryl Hannah) and Budd, a.k.a.

Lucy Liu
arrives for the
premiere of
"Kill Bill:
Volume 1" in
Los Angeles,
Calif.



KRT Photo

"Sidewinder" (Michael Madsen).

Kill Bill Vol. 1 specifically deals with The Bride's revenge on Ishi and Green. Most of the movie, however, is spent on Ishi, who is a crime boss in Tokyo and commander of an army called the Crazy 88. In this respect, the movie falters, as it becomes unbalanced in its time spent on developing Ishi's character in comparison to Green's. Green doesn't even seem the least bit significant in the grand scheme of things when sized up against Ishi. It's not even worth mentioning Driver and Budd, as they are simply introduced and play minor roles in this movie. We're obviously gonna have to wait until Volume 2 for their screen time.

It is the first half of the movie that is completely Tarantino-esque in style and setting. While this is great, the second half suddenly turns into a work of art. Tarantino takes the "east meets west" concept even further and dedicates over five minutes of the movie to the back story of Ishi's childhood as told through full-fledged anime. In English, that means that over five minutes of the movie is shown as a Japanese-style cartoon, using vivid and detailed imagery that seem appropriate in context. It is from this point on that the movie itself becomes a live action anime movie of sorts, paying homage to Japanese culture and putting a Tarantino spin on it.

The enormous fight scene at the end with Ishi and her army is classic and is a true modernization of the old school kung fu brawls.

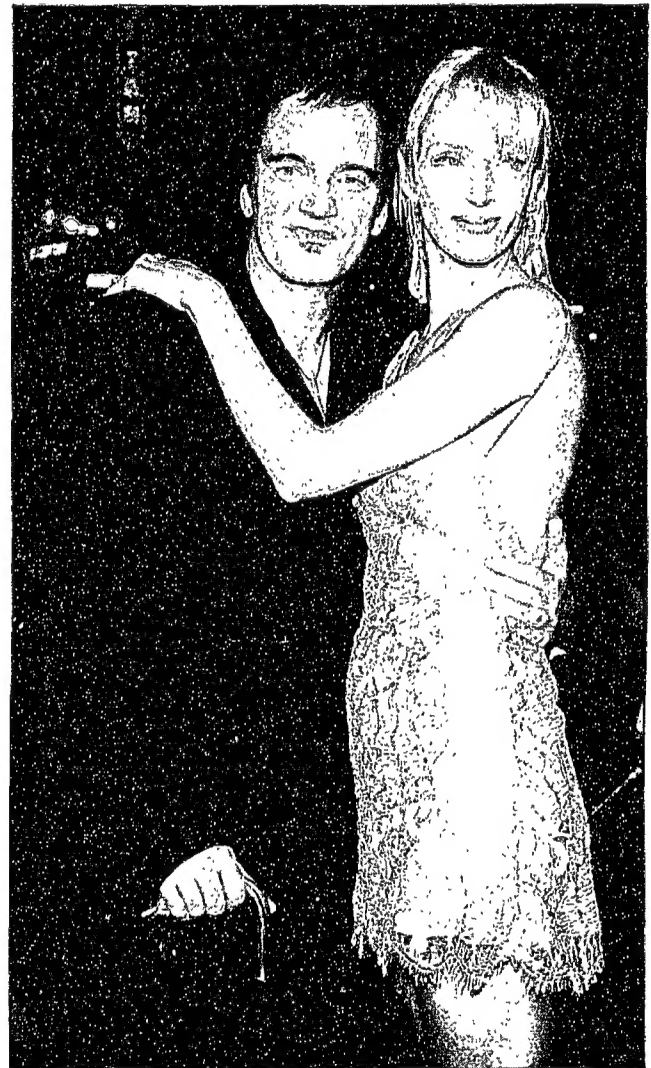
The wonderful thing about Tarantino's movies is that the characters are always interesting and tend to each stand out in their own right rather than being a blur of standard good guys and bad guys. Each character is presented like a Christmas present, each neatly wrapped and just waiting to be unraveled so that the mystery of the contents is exposed. It's fun to be excited about the characters of the movie (especially when played well by the actors), as it makes it that much more enjoyable to watch them interact with one another.

It is safe to say that all the Tarantino trademarks pop up in *Kill Bill*: the surf guitar riffs, the blood, the sharp wit, the blood, the strange story sequence, the blood, the memorable characters, the blood and the blood. Something also worth mentioning is there's a lot of blood. This is probably one of the bloodiest movies around today. It's hard to say how many oceans Tarantino could fill with the amount of blood spilled in this film. Needless to say, this movie is ABSOLUTELY NOT for those who cringe at the very sight of crimson. But even to the most tolerant moviegoers, the blood does tend to get a bit excessive halfway through the film and almost seems unnecessary. It's not until the second half of the movie that, in some completely sick and twisted way, it almost becomes comical in that it morphs from being downright disgusting to being almost cartoonish in nature, with limbs flying everywhere and blood squirting left and right. Eh... but, uh, I'm not a sadist or anything. You have to see it to believe it.

Perhaps the most admirable characteristic about Tarantino is that he's not afraid to go over-the-top as long as he gets his point across. He simply does not want to be nailed down as a one-trick pony. What he does is go for shock value, which is something he has always done and has always worked.

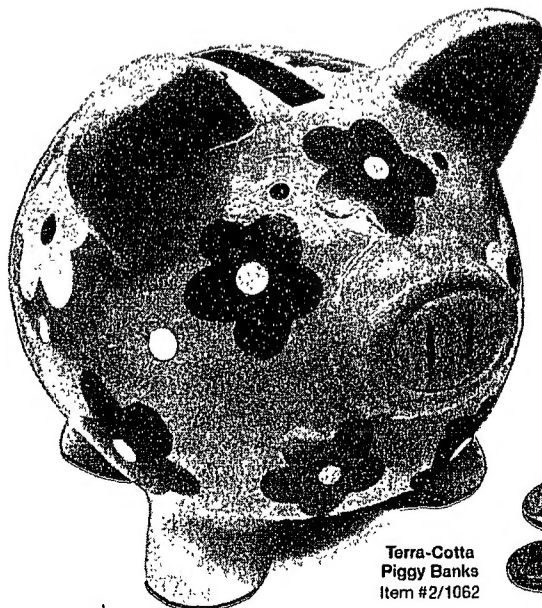
People have always walked away from Tarantino movies talking about what they just saw, and this is what Tarantino wants. If his films generate discussion, whether negative or positive, he is pleased. *Kill Bill* is no different. If he doesn't keep your attention, then maybe you'd prefer walking on hot coals with weights tied to your ankles.

Sebbly says: It's super-happy-fantastic blood-soaked fun for the whole family!



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Quentin Tarantino and Uma Thurman arrive for the premiere of "Kill Bill: Volume 1" in Los Angeles, California.



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UNO's production of The Crucible thrilling, intense

REVIEW BY RAE LICARI
Features editor

UNO's theater department opened yet another fantastic production last weekend with *The Crucible*, Arthur Miller's dramatization of the events surrounding the 1692 Salem, Mass., witch trials.

The Crucible's cast and crew gave a riveting performance Friday night. Although the play's running time hit just short of the three-hour mark, there was no point where the plot dragged. Rather, the gripping renditions kept many members of the audience — myself included — on the edge of their seats.

Katie Breen leads the production as Abigail Williams, the instigator of the historically tragic mass hysteria. Along with a group of friends, Abby is responsible for the accusation and subsequent conviction and death sentences of dozens of Salem's townspeople, including John Proctor (Vincent Carlson), the lover who has spurned her in favor of his wife.

Breen & Co. do an excellent job of inciting the witchcraft frenzy. Their skin-crawling shrieks provide tension so thick it's almost physically palpable, especially in the courtroom climax of the final act.

Melanie Gillis gave another standout performance in the role of the wizened Rebecca Nurse. One would find it difficult to believe she was not in fact extremely elderly from her crooked ambling and shaky voice.

But the entire cast worked exceedingly well together, with a very fluid chemistry. The actors seemed so comfortable in their characters that they gave the illusion they had been performing this play for months instead of just having opened.

The set was minimal yet effective: a multileveled platform on one end, mobile chairs and tables scattered in various scenes, and a couple dozen nooses hanging eerily from the ceiling. Instead of being seated in front of a stage at one end, as is tradition in modern theater, the audience is set in bleacher-like seats in two rows, facing each other like jury boxes. This contributes to the production's air of tension.

All in all, I feel safe saying this is probably the single best production from UNO's theater department I've seen since I began my college career.

Catch the remaining performances of *The Crucible* Friday, Oct. 15 through Saturday, Oct. 18. All shows are at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for general admission or \$8 for students. Tickets and more information can be obtained from the box office at 554-2335.

My advice? Do not miss this production. Oh, and bring a respirator — after holding your breath throughout this performance, you might need it.



photo by Josh Williamson

Reverend Parris (Nick Zadina) pleads with Abigail Williams (Katie Breen) to keep quiet about dancing in the woods.

The big concert update

Compiled by Rae Licari
Features editor

OMAHA:

Oct. 14 Unsane — Sokol Underground
Oct. 14 Captured by Robots — The 49'r
Oct. 16 Better Than Ezra — Music Box
Oct. 18 The Iguanas — Music Box
Oct. 18 Minus The Bear — Sokol Underground
Oct. 20 Vans "Off The Wall" Club Tour — Ranch Bowl
Oct. 21 Psychedelic Breakfast — Music Box
Oct. 21 Ed Kemper Trio — Ted & Wally's
Oct. 22 Cracker — Music Box
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Oct. 23 Michael W. Smith — Civic Auditorium
Oct. 23 Mustard Plug — Ranch Bowl
Oct. 24 Olivia Newton-John — Orpheum Theatre
Oct. 24 Blue October — Music Box
Oct. 25 Catch 22 — Ranch Bowl
Oct. 25 Blue October — Music Box
Oct. 26 Lyle Lovett — Orpheum Theatre
Oct. 27 Dexter Groves — Ranch Bowl
Oct. 28 Fishbone — Music Box
Oct. 29 The Black Keys — Sokol Underground
Oct. 30 Dada — Music Box

LINCOLN:

Oct. 15 Train — Pershing Auditorium
Oct. 22 Bernard Allison — Zoo Bar
Oct. 23 Clem Snide — Knickerbockers
Oct. 24 Minutes Too Far — Knickerbockers
Oct. 25 Sevendust — Royal Grove
Oct. 31 The Stellas — Knickerbockers

LAWRENCE, Kan.:

Oct. 15 Unsane — Replay Lounge
Oct. 16 Eels — The Bottleneck
Oct. 17 Mates of State — The Bottleneck
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Oct. 21 KMFD — Granada Theatre
Oct. 21 Glasveater — The Bottleneck
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Oct. 26 Karl Denson's Tiny Universe — Granada Theatre
Oct. 29 Michael Franti and Spearhead — Liberty Hall

KANSAS CITY, Mo.:

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Oct. 14 Jason Mraz — Uptown Theatre
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Oct. 28 Denali — The Brick

It's HIP-HOP and it don't stop: The latest news in the industry...

Leia Baez

Entertainment editor

~ **Rapper**
Foxy Brown is no longer with Def Jam Records after publicly butting heads with the CEO of the Island Def Jam Music Group, Lyor Cohen.

~ **W B A**



Heavyweight Boxing champ Roy Jones Jr. is finishing up recording his second album, *Round Two, I'm Ready*. The album will be released on Jones' own Pensacola, Florida based Body Head Entertainment and will feature appearances from Pastor Troy and Lil Jon as well as production from platinum producer

LT Hutton.

~ **Roc-A-Fella CEO Jay-Z** and Bad Boy's head honcho P.Diddy have both expressed interest in buying New York's Glens Falls Wild Cats basketball team. The U.S. Basketball League franchise is up for grabs for a cool \$300,000. Realtors who are representing the team said that both moguls are seriously interested and have signed confidentiality agreements.

~ **Big V** from platinum selling rap group Nappy Roots now shares more in common with Lil' Kim than just their Atlantic Records recording home. Last week the elaborate chicken claw piece Big V can be spotted wearing around his neck turned up missing upon arrival in Indianapolis, Indiana, after Nappy Roots had flown in from Los Angeles, California. Southwest Airlines officials in Los Angeles asked him to check in the charm, citing that it could be used as a weapon. He discovered it was missing after examining his luggage upon arrival in Indianapolis.

SOURCES: www.allhiphop.com

What's opening in theaters next week

PHILIP WUNTCH

The Dallas Morning News (KRT)

OPENING WEDNESDAY:

MYSTIC RIVER - Already heralded as one of the year's best, Clint Eastwood's adaptation of Dennis Lehane's novel about the tragic aftereffects of child abuse stars Sean Penn, Tim Robbins, Kevin Bacon, Marcia Gay Harden, Laura Linney and Laurence Fishburne.

OPENING OCT. 17:

RUNAWAY JURY - John Grisham's tale of jury tampering and big business corruption features John Cusack as a pivotal juror, Rachel Weisz as a mystery woman and Gene Hackman and Dustin Hoffman as courtroom combatants.

THE TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE - The tale of the evildoings of a clan of hungry cannibals gets recycled once again.

THE STATION AGENT - Buzz is hot for this story of a dwarf who lives in an abandoned train depot and makes friends with an artist and a hot dog vendor.

VERONICA GUERIN - Eagerly awaited true drama features Cate Blanchett as a journalist who fights Dublin's drug barons.

MY LIFE WITHOUT ME - The talented Sarah Polley stars as a 23-year-old wife and mother with terminal cancer.

WONDERLAND - Val Kilmer gives his all to the role of John Holmes, the porn superstar involved in a brutal murder.

Horoscopes

Predictions by Madame Zora

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Happy Birthday! Avoid clowns at your birthday party; they will only take advantage of you.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Lighten up on the make-up this week, Scorpio. And no, Libra is not interested.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Beware of the three-eyed potato.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
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Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
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Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Let's just say I wouldn't worry about checking expiration dates on milk cartons, m'kay?

Aries (March 21-April 19)
It's midway through the semester— don't you think it's about time to start showing up to that evening class?

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Stay away from llamas this week; they can only cause you woe.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)
Don't feel bad, Gemini. Nitroglycerine and vodka are both clear liquids. It's a mistake anyone could make.

Cancer (June 21-July 23)
In a desperate bid for financial aid, you will declare yourself an Anglo-American on your loan forms. Amazingly enough, it will work.

Leo (July 24-Aug. 22)
The Matrix has you, Leo.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
You know that Virgo trait of decorum and poise? What the heck happened there?

Dixie Chicks transcend what passes for 'country' today

MARK KEMP
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)



A few weeks ago, we requested an interview with the Dixie Chicks. They declined.

And why wouldn't they? Since March, when singer Natalie Maines spoke out against the president and his war in Iraq, myopic media pundits have relentlessly ripped into the trio in print and on the air.

When the Chicks recently said they no longer feel at home in the country-music world, where they've been slandered from here to Corpus Christi, many columnists jumped on them all over again.

Country radio may have made the Dixie Chicks superstars, but the music always spoke for itself. The trio's social views are crystal clear in their hit songs, such as "Goodbye Earl," about domestic abuse, and "Travelin' Soldier," about a frightened young serviceman.

The Dixie Chicks are bigger than what goes for country music today. Like the best country artists — from Loretta Lynn to Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, Waylon and Willie right up to Steve Earle — the Chicks have said things and done things that fly in the face of convention. That's what great artists do. It's not about right wing or left wing — it's about expressing one's heart and soul.

Forget those Nashville robots who wrap themselves in flags and sing weepy, manipulative revenge songs. Let's welcome the Chicks into the wide-open space of a new world, where ambitious music and ideas are embraced. Say goodbye, Earl.

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seemed to prove most nagging. The plan was to go in, liberate Iraq from Saddam, restore the lives of the Iraqis and setup a democracy. Which I admit was a pretty noble effort in and of itself. The problem was the "establish a democracy" part of the clause. We, as Americans, seem to advocate freedom this and freedom that. But if our goal was to liberate Iraqis from an oppressive regime, then it was through their freedom and through their freedom alone that a democracy should be established. Not because we tell them that's what they're going to have, as that would seem to be contradictory to what freedom is supposedly all about. If the Iraqis, the majority of whom want to have a theocracy, then they should be entitled to a theocracy. If we tell them that they are not able to have a theocracy, wouldn't that seem to contradict the freedom that we advocated they should have in the first place? Democracy may require

freedom, but freedom does not entail democracy.

Are we in fact, as the author suggests, making extraordinary progress on the war on terrorism? I don't know, are we? As of the time this work was written, we still have been unsuccessful in locating either Osama Bin Laden or Saddam Hussein (although Saddam's two sons have been "Bonnie and Clyded"). There have been various reports that the situation in Afghanistan is destabilizing and in need of dire aid, while at the same time the network we are trying to stop, Al Qaeda, is reportedly reforming. [In addition,] the "liberal" media is reporting of increasing attacks on coalition forces in Iraq. Despite all this, if the author—or for that matter—the reader, thinks we are making smashing progress on the war on terror, then by all means they are entitled to their opinion. I, however, seem to view things in a different light. As such, I am not so sure I'd throw out the word "quagmire" just yet,

although [I] wouldn't say that the situation has elevated to that of Vietnam.

I find the concluding statement of the article to be somewhat perplexing.

"It is important to understand that terrorism is not born, trained or harbored in democratic countries."

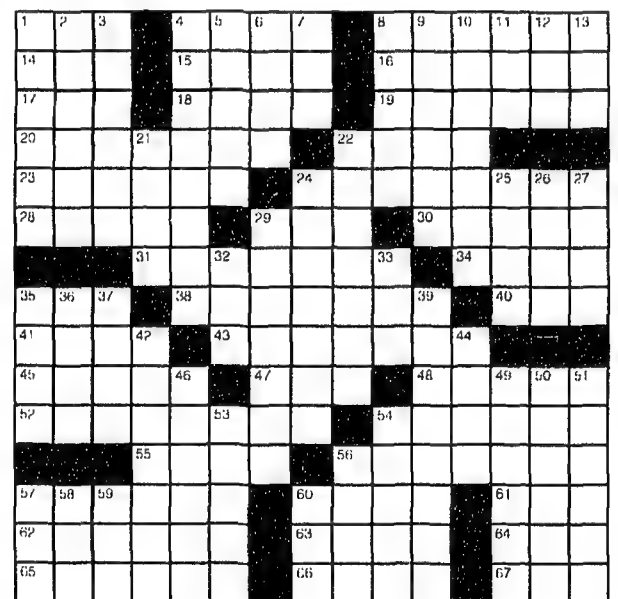
Oh? I guess it depends on your definition of terrorism. Would you consider Timothy McVeigh to be a terrorist? He was after all born in Pendleton, N.Y. and was even enlisted in the U.S. Army. Not convincing enough? What about some of those original 9/11 hijackers who were trained how to fly an airplane right here in the US of A? In both cases, terrorism was born, aided or harbored by a democratic society (unless of course one is to reject that the United States is a democracy). This being the case, I reject the author's conclusion that democracy is key to defeating terrorism.

Kevin A. Bensley

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- Sun. talk
 - Evans or Earnhardt
 - Act against
 - Draft choice
 - Eliot's Bede
 - Worldwide
 - Track circuit
 - Operates
 - Without difficulty
 - Flash
 - Faction
 - Classify
 - Have a likeness to
 - Heated dispute
 - Auction or racket ending
 - Had the courage to try
 - Cupped
 - Necessity
 - Fancy knot
 - In a sulky manner
 - Thirsty
 - vera
 - Like some sweaters
 - Infamous
 - Helmsley
 - Mine's yield
 - Directed, as a weapon
 - Period of listlessness
 - Emotional shock
 - Comic Tomlin
 - Strengthen
 - Seize
 - Cab
 - Coffee vessel
 - Yellowstone sight
 - Gray or Moran
 - Ripen
 - Black Sea port
 - Sharp taste
 - Guided

- DOWN**
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 - Slip by, as time
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 - Grown-up
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Sigma Lambda Beta fraternity strives for success, continues to promote unity

JOSIE LOZA

Editor-in-chief

You may have seen them around campus or at a shuttle bus stop, but were unsure to ask who they were.

Their greek letters stand out against the royal purple shirts they often wear, but you still don't know much about them.

Well, they are the mighty brothers of Sigma Lambda Beta, a multicultural fraternity that promotes cultural awareness, brotherhood, scholarship and community service.

The young men of the Delta Beta chapter are 20 members deep and continue to grow.

Glenn Lewis, the president of the UNO fraternity, said the organization does not consist of only young Latinos.

"We have brothers that are Caucasian, Native American and African-American," he said.

On March 31, 2000, nine young Latinos established the Delta Beta chapter. It was the first Latino fraternity ever founded on UNO's campus.

Many of the men felt that none of the existing fraternities at the time focused on their needs culturally or academically. So the group decided to search for an organization that would benefit not only the men but also their communities.

"The fraternity has allowed me to join a brotherhood where I feel that I have a support group to back me up whether it's scholastically or emotionally," he said. "They are a part of my own family."

Lewis also said the fraternity has given him more than just brotherhood.

"For me, it has given me an opportunity to develop talent and leadership skills that I can use later on in life in my professional career," Lewis said.

Each year, the fraternity participates in service projects that enable them to give back to the community. They volunteer time to support Boy Scout



Courtesy Photo

Members of Sigma Lambda Beta stroll in the Milo Bail Student Center Plaza.

packs for the Boy Scouts of America. The group raises money for scout uniforms and have an annual lock-in.

The fraternity has sponsored two after-school basketball teams and participates in a mentoring program at the Boys and Girls Club.

The group is focused on promoting higher education to the youth.

"We encourage young males to look into college," Lewis said. "If they see that more than one person has made it to college and looks just like them, it'll have more of an impact."

Power of numbers is a very true statement, he said.

Sigma Lambda Beta is planning to co-sponsor a toy drive for St. Agnes Catholic Church with the Association of Latino American Students. The groups will raise money to purchase gifts for the children of St. Agnes.

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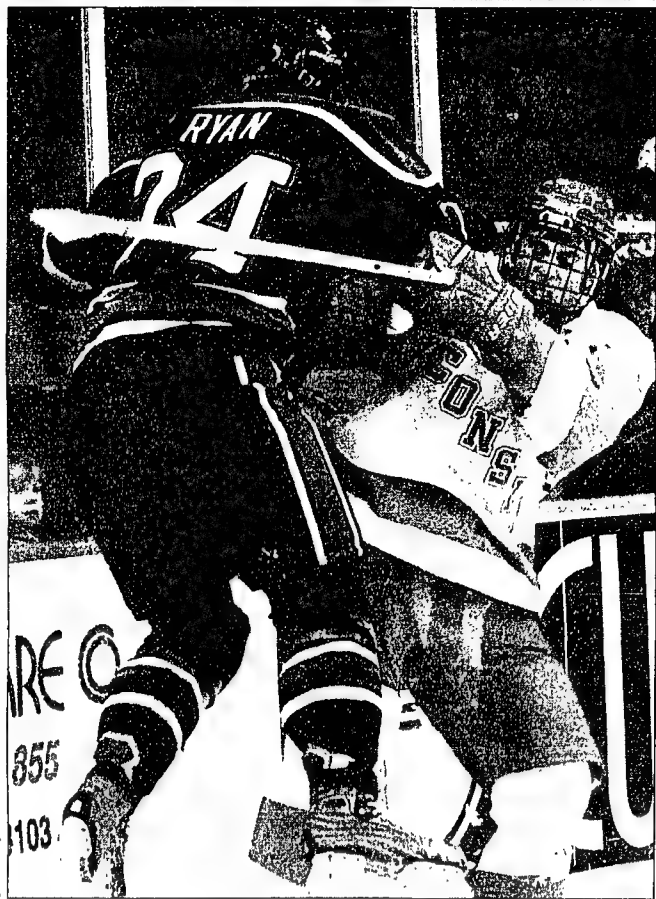


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Above: UNO's No. 25 Scotty Turner tries to get around Gopher Mike Vannelli during Saturday's game.

Left: Maine's Prestin Ryan collides with Wisconsin's Andy Brandt Saturday night.

The Maverick Stampede: A Maine Event

BRIAN BRASHAW
Sports editor

UNO Hockey held leads in both of their games at the Maverick Stampede this weekend, but youth and immaturity eventually showed through. The Mavericks dropped both games and finished fourth in a tournament filled with elite programs. The University of Maine claimed the Omaha Cup.

Here's the wrap up of the four games this weekend at the Qwest Center.

Game 1: Maine 4, Minnesota 0

Minnesota scored an average of 4.2 goals per game during their 2002-03 national championship run. Friday night, however, they got none.

Jimmy Howard led the University of Maine to a 4-0 shutout of the Golden Gophers, making 25 saves. The Gophers hadn't been shut out since March 16, 2001.

"That's irrelevant to me," Minnesota coach Don Lucia said "I don't even think about that or worry about that. We had a few chances and that's a good goaltender. We hit a couple posts in the third period. My biggest thing is that we can correct the mistakes we made."

Maine got on the board early when Todd Jackson scored a shorthander 5:48 into the game. The Black Bears continued rolling into the second period, scoring just 20 seconds in to take a 2-0 lead. Colin Shields made it a 3-0 game by waving a backhanded shot into the net 7:17 into the second.

The Black Bears continued to fight off the Gophers and used effective transitions from blocked shots to spring counterattacks all afternoon. One such transition spawned the final goal for Maine. A steal sprung Greg Moore and Jackson on a 2-on-1, Moore took the shot and Jackson cleaned up the rebound for his second goal of the night.

"I felt we got some good counters on them," Maine coach Tim Whitehead said. "That really came from the good defense. We're going to keep emphasizing that with our team. We have a good offense, but it comes from good defense."

Minnesota had no answer for Howard.

Game 2: Wisconsin 4, UNO 3, OT

While most people were still locating their seats, there were two goals on the board in the first minute of the game.

What began as a shootout ended wildly as Wisconsin's Dan Boeser scored in overtime to win 4-3 and advance to the tournament's championship.

"Always nice to win, it's a little more special in overtime," Wisconsin coach Mike Eaves said. "The players took what was given and showed some chemistry tonight."

Host Nebraska-Omaha scored first, just 21 seconds into the game, when Scott Parse chopped down a Wisconsin clear, springing a 2-on-1 for the Mavericks. Andrew Wong fed Alex Nikiforuk cross-ice for the goal.

Just 30 seconds later, the Badgers knotted the score when A.J. Degenhardt stuffed home a feed from Nick Licari.

The two teams battled for dominance through the first, and Wisconsin took a couple penalties at the end of the period, giving UNO a 5-on-3 power play to start the second to no avail.

UNO and Wisconsin spent the second period trading penalties and the Mavericks even got another 5-on-3, for 1:35, but had a goal waved off.

"That's where the game was won and lost. We had our chances. We had a couple 5-on-3 opportunities, you need to take advantage and we just

didn't," UNO coach Mike Kemp said. "Hopefully with time that power play will get moving that puck a little better."

The two teams traded goals and UNO tied it at 3-3 with under three minutes left to force overtime, but that's when Boeser struck and won it for the Badgers.

Game 3: Minnesota 7, UNO 3

It took Minnesota 97:36 to score its first goal of the season, but when it finally came, an avalanche followed.

After falling behind 3-0 in the second period, Minnesota stormed back with two goals in the second and five more in the third to beat Nebraska-Omaha 7-3 in the consolation game.

"We were fighting the battle where we had so much air blown up our rear ends that we forgot what

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UNO's Andrew Wong tries to block a pass from Wisconsin's Dan Boeser during a second period Wisconsin power play Friday night.

Mav digger learns to adjust to new role

MELISSA KUCIREK
Staff writer

For a volleyball team that has had its share of ups and downs, one constant has been the persistent smile of its rightside hitter turned defensive specialist.

Teresa "Sunshine" Stevens has learned several lessons from playing on a team that has gone 20-38 the last two seasons. She's learned to give back.

And keep on giving.

"I look back on the last two years and think 'How did I manage to do this?' You're giving energy, but you're getting energy back from people," she said.

The frustrating Maverick losses have tested the junior's outlook, but it's made her stronger.

A product of Sioux City, Iowa, Stevens' ended a stellar high school career at perennial powerhouse Bishop Heelan High School, garnering an Iowa Class 3A State Championship in 1999 and a runner-up finish in 2000.

She did all this under the helm of Lori (Schutte) Schaal, former UNO volleyball All-American and Hall of Fame member.

"She made a difference in the way I see things in volleyball and in people," Stevens said. "She was a breath of fresh air everyday."

Stevens' impact on the Maverick squad became immediate. In her freshman season, she played in all 27 matches, leading the team with 43 service aces and second in assists.

Sophomore year, Stevens appeared in all 31 matches, again leading Head Coach Rose Shires' squad with 38 aces, enough to push her to third overall in the North Central Conference in serving leaders.

In this year's campaign, Stevens has moved to the libero position, a role in which players cannot serve. She has continued to be a familiar

face in the lineup, just with a different colored shirt than the rest of the team. (The libero must wear a jersey of a different)

"Many teams see the libero as a target because if they can frustrate the libero, then that takes a lot from the team," the former walk-on said. "I go into every game assuming that I will be a primary target."

Maverick Head Coach Shires said that Stevens' serve is missed and teams should look for Stevens to get back behind the service line soon.

"She has a wicked serve and we need to use her as a weapon," Shires said.

Outside of UNO volleyball, Stevens enjoys passing on her own skills to area youth. She has been a Junior Olympic volleyball coach at the 14-and-under age level, proudly admitting that she likes the admiration from the young athletes.

"I like impacting their lives," she said.

It took a class called "Introduction to Communication Disorders" class to truly inspire Stevens' aspirations.

She soon knew that she wouldn't be teaching a science or math, but special education.

"I don't know how I could have a 9-5 desk job, when I could learn from all these little amazing people," she said.

Stevens, daughter of Don and Mary, is, for now, focusing on being the steadfast Maverick among a team of underclassmen. Much of her role involves helping her younger teammates adjust to college. A role, she said, she gladly accepts.

"I wanted to come to UNO because I wanted to start over, do everything myself," she said. "You find people before you find yourself. The girls on the team are great. You do it for each other. We're working for each other every day. Now I'm never by myself."



photo by Chris Machian

Teresa Stevens has moved to the libero position this year.

Intramural Game of the Week: Pike 'A' Edges Past Rival Sig Ep

CODY ORTIZ
Staff writer

The Pike 'A' intramural football team beat Sig Ep 7-6 Wednesday night in what some would call a boring, low scoring game, or others might call an exciting, close game right down to the finish.

I saw it as an exciting game, which came down to basically the last play of the game, but both teams had their flaws.

Sig Ep dominated the first half in front of an estimated crowd of 200 screaming students. But all Sig Ep had to show for it was a 6-0 lead at halftime as they threw two costly interceptions. One was in the end zone that could have blown the game open.

Sig Ep's lone score of the game came on a late second quarter run from speedy quarterback Taylor Huettner.

In the first half, both offenses looked exactly like the offense of the Nebraska Cornhuskers.

They had fast quarterbacks, but they couldn't score in the red zone if their life depended on it. And they were boring to watch.

Trying to turn things around, Pike 'A' started the second half just like the first, then threw an interception in the

end zone on the opening drive.

But wait.

The very next play, Sig Ep threw an interception to give them the ball right back.

Pike 'A' finally took advantage and scored on a long touchdown pass from Sonny Hudson to Shaun Thompson. After converting the extra point, they had the lead at 7-6.

In the fourth quarter, Pike 'A' was on the verge of scoring again and icing the game, but wouldn't you know it, they threw an interception in the end zone.

Sig Ep had a chance to win the game on fourth and goal with 11 seconds left in the game, but Huettner was sacked to seal the victory for Pike 'A', 7-6.

There weren't really any standout players in this game that were worthy of the tremendously historic "Wanna Be of the Week" award, which honors the player of the week. So this week's winner of the award goes to the Pike cheering section that was loud and annoying all game long.

But don't get me wrong, it was actually nice to see more than four or five fans, or wait, should I say the four or five girlfriends of the players in the stands.

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Minnesotans no match for Mavs soccer team

PAUL FREELAND
Senior staff writer

Defense keyed No. 11 UNO's early season success, but the Mavericks' offense took charge in a weekend sweep of Minnesota State-Mankato and St. Cloud State.

After scoring one goal in three matches, UNO followed a 4-0 win over North Dakota State with wins of 4-3 over Mankato and 6-1 over SCSU. The Mavs' weekend was not without its bumps, though, as Rachel Tushner and Heidi Bargmann were unavailable through injury.

Maverick midfielder Stephanie Kirby, who had three goals and an assist on the weekend, said the team had adjusted well to Tushner's absence.

"Our offense has really started to come together the last couple of games," Kirby said. "We can't say the same about our defense, though. There's not a huge drop-off when Rachel is out, but it does mess with the chemistry in defense and that can cause some problems. Meghan [Pile] is coming along and that's good to see since we've kind of just thrown her into the fire after not playing since summer."

Tushner was a late scratch due to a hip flexor injury while Bargmann was involved in a car accident in York. Bargmann was diagnosed with a concussion and will be out for about a week while Tushner may be available on Friday.

Brytten Kraft and Haley Fries opened the scoring for UNO against Mankato before Natalie Mangold's looping header beat goalkeeper Amy Price to make the match 2-1 at halftime. Ashley Grace restored the Mavs' two-goal edge on a pass from Kraft five minutes after the restart, but Mangold scored her second to pull MSM within 3-2.

Kirby scored her seventh goal of the season in the 74th minute. The senior midfielder took a pass from Megan Herzberg and finished a flowing move that featured Herzberg and Grace linking up in midfield. Danni Klinsing got Mankato's third goal 10 minutes from time, but MSM failed to get any closer.

Maverick Head Coach Don Klosterman said not having Tushner's services posed some problems.

"There are some problems when we don't have Rachel back there," Klosterman said. "Her speed and aggression makes a difference in defense. There's so much communication involved with our system that it can be a struggle when she's not back there."

Kirby's assist was her first of the season, giving her the Maverick career assists record with 27. Former Maverick Katie Hobbs held the old record with 26 assists.

St. Cloud State entered Sunday's match after a 5-1 loss at South Dakota. Kirby opened the scoring with a header in the 10th minute, but SCSU's Heidi Westrum equalized less than a minute later with a 20-yard chip shot past Price.

Grace put UNO back in front in the 17th minute before Kirby scored her ninth goal of the season to put the Mavs up 3-1. Molly Herzberg closed the first half scoring in the 44th minute, sending a 25-yard shot off the crossbar and in for a 4-1 UNO halftime lead.

Kraft scored her second goal of the weekend 20 minutes into the second half after dispossessing a Husky defender in the box and firing past the keeper. Whitney Frantzen capped the scoring a minute and a half before full time, running onto Anne Willrett's through ball and slotting the ball home for her first collegiate goal.

Frantzen said she was pleased to have opened her UNO scoring account. "Scoring my first college goal was exciting," Frantzen said. "I'm just happy to contribute. It feels good to capitalize on all the hard work we did out there."

UNO improved to 12-1-1 and 3-1 in the North Central Conference with the two victories. Those results moved the Mavericks into a first-place tie in the NCC as sixth-ranked North Dakota lost to unranked South Dakota State 1-0 in double overtime on Saturday. The Fighting Sioux are 12-1 (3-1 NCC), but hold the head-to-head tiebreaker versus the Mavs.

Kirby said the inconvenience of losing players through injury might well pay off for the Mavericks down the road.

"It's a little frustrating," Kirby said. "As long as we're at full strength at the end of the season when things really start to count, though, I think we'll be fine. Putting new people in different positions now will only help us as we'll be deeper when everyone's healthy."

UNO returns to action Friday as they host Augustana (6-8-1, 0-4) Friday at 4 p.m. before traveling to SDSU (7-3-3, 1-1-2) for a 1 p.m. match on Sunday.



UNO's Jamie Venhaus faces off against Minnesota's Jen Cressman in a recent game.

photo by Chris Machian

Bison thunder past Maverick football team

J. Parker Adair
Senior staff writer

It was just a matter of time before the Maverick volleyball team began clicking on all cylinders. That time came Friday night against the No. 8 Augustana Vikings.

UNO finally started doing the things they have needed to do all year. They started playing more consistently. They started hitting better and they played as a team, rallying against nine straight game points.

In the first game, Teresa Stevens served four consecutive points following a tie-breaking sideout. Although the game would come within one point twice after that, the Mavericks had created enough separation to give them the 30-26 win.

In the second game, the Mavericks found the reason that the Vikings were ranked eighth nationally. Augustana built several four and five point leads and every time UNO would chip away at the lead, the Vikings would build it up again.

The Mavs were in a nine point hole 20-29 facing a loss before Alyssa Matthes got the kill from Christie Johnson that turned the tide of the game.

Instead of UNO fumbling a win away, Augustana committed six errors during Jenny Rankin's service. Rankin recorded one service ace, and the team rose to the challenge finding themselves one win away from their first match victory in the North Central Conference this year.

Nobody could gain an advantage in the third game. The score was tied for the first 10 points. 1-1, 2-2 all the way to 10-10 before Augustana created some breathing room with a 15-11 lead. After a kill by Rankin, Ashley Freeman served three straight points to tie the game at 15.

Augustana scored six consecutive points and proved too much for the Mavericks in game three.

Game four was another chance for the Mavericks to win. If they did not win this game, they would be faced with a game five, in which they have not won one all year.

After a 3-3 tie, UNO opened up a 9-4 lead behind the serving of Christie Johnson and Rankin. The Vikings fought back and earned an 11-10 lead. The Mavericks built an 18-14 lead before letting it too slip away.

Finally, UNO took a 26-22 lead and won the game and match on an Alyssa Matthes service ace for a 30-26 win.

Rankin led the way hitting a .273 clip and recording 18 kills and 10 digs, Amy McLeay went 17-17 while Matthes tallied 13 kills.

Saturday night, the Mavs tried to ride the victory into a winning streak against South Dakota State.

The Jackrabbits took an early lead winning the first game, 30-24, but UNO came back to claim the next game 30-25 after opening up with a 7-1 lead and leading by as much as eight.

UNO seemed poised to take another victory from another conference foe when they took a 6-2 lead in the third. Unfortunately, the Jackrabbits turned their game around and built a seven-point lead of their own, winning the game 30-25.

After the first seven points were tied, SDSU won a point down 8-7 and pulled away with 10 more consecutive points including five attacking errors. McLeay, who would commit two of those, would come back to serve a point before committing a service error.

The Mavs would get no closer than six, and the Jackrabbits scored four straight points at the end to win 30-19 and take the match 3-1.

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Mavericks charge Vikings

PAUL FREELAND
Senior staff writer

North Dakota State's football team looked very much like their old selves as the 12th-ranked Bison rolled past No. 8 UNO 34-7 in front of 14,109 fans in Fargo, N.D.

Turnovers and mental mistakes plagued the Mavericks while the Bison showed no ill effects after a horrendous 2-8 2002 campaign. The Mavs fumbled three times, threw three interceptions and had a pair of roughing-the-punter penalties that handed possession back to NDSU.

Rod Malone capped a 10-play, 72-yard drive for the Bison with an eight-yard touchdown run for the game's first score. Cory Vartanian then kicked a pair of second-quarter field goals to put NDSU up 13-0 at halftime. The home team continued to pad their lead in the second half as Kyle Steffes had a 26-yard TD run and Tony Stauss hit Allen Burrell with an 11-yard scoring pass as the Bison led 27-0 after three quarters.

UNO snapped out of its offensive funk long enough to spoil NDSU's shutout bid. The Mavs took off on a 20-play, 85-yard scoring drive that was capped by Brian Masek's four-yard touchdown pass to Chris Denney. The Bison restored their lead with 50 seconds left in the game, though, when Malone ran the ball in from a yard out.

Bison Head Coach Craig Bohl's defense limited the Mav offense to 299 total yards on 59 plays, 132 yards on the ground and 167 through the air. Masek was 15-25 passing with three interceptions while Justin Kammrad led the ground attack with 144 yards on 23 carries. Kenny

Onatolu led the defense with 13 tackles, eight of them unassisted, while Taiwo Onatolu had 12 tackles, six unassisted.

Steffes ran for 140 yards on 23 carries for the Bison while Malone had 112 yards on 20 rushes.

UNO dropped to 5-2 overall and 2-1 in the North Central Conference while NDSU moved to 5-1 and 3-0 in the NCC. The Mavs return to action Saturday as they play Augustana (2-4, 0-3) in Sioux Falls, S.D. Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m.



Amy McLeay hits the ball over South Dakota State's Sarah Biggerstaff (left) and Minette Ridenour.

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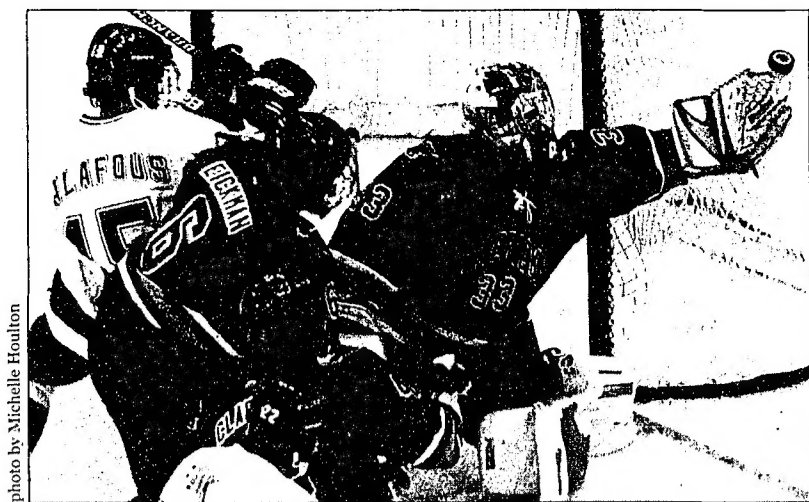


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UNO goalie Brian Haaland tries to catch a puck shot by a University of Wisconsin player Friday.

score showed," Lucia said. "We were going on four and a half periods and we hadn't scored a goal. We just had to stay, 'Stay with it guys, stay with it.'"

The turning point came with just 26 seconds left in the second period, when the Gophers got sustained pressure in the zone. The puck found its way to Judd Stevens, who buried it low-post.

"We got too secure," UNO senior winger Scotty Turner said. "We took a few dumb penalties and they scored one or two, people started getting nervous and stopped playing with confidence. Instead of going at them and finishing them off and going for the throat, we tried to keep the lead instead of digging deeper."

That shows a lot of [youth] and immaturity."

UNO head coach Mike Kemp said, "It's one of those things where you wish and hope it happens, instead of making it happen. We've got to get beyond that."

Minnesota poured it on in the third, getting five goals from five different skaters. The tying goal came 4:24 into the third, when Keith Ballard skated in on transition and blasted it five-hole. The Gophers got the game winner when Gino Guyer picked the puck out of a crease scrum and slid it home.

Game 4: Maine 6, Wisconsin 2

Todd Jackson scored two goals to add to his pair Friday night, and Maine showed its firepower again in a rout of Wisconsin for a 6-2 win, claiming the Omaha Cup for the Black Bears.

Wisconsin played a spirited weekend, winning in overtime to get to the championship game; and against Maine, the Badgers were never really out of the game. They came back early in the second period with a goal by Tom Gilbert, and after Maine tallied twice more, the Badgers showed some poise and put together another pretty goal.

"We had great spirit but at times our spirit was overzealous," Wisconsin coach Mike Eaves said. "We had those mental lapses, which is a sign of a young team."

The Black Bears were just too strong and dominated the third period. Maine opened the third with a goal just 39 seconds into the frame and killed a four-minute penalty to take the life out of Wisconsin.

"Anytime you can score at the end of a period or the beginning of the period, it's big," Maine coach Tim Whitehead said. "Hockey is so fast and such a game of momentum, those things are key."

"Early on I thought the game could go either way — it was a weird game that way," Whitehead said. "I've been in that situation before. Sometimes you think, 'gee, we're right in this,' then all the sudden something bounces and it slips away."

Maine scored its last power play goal 39 seconds into the third period, driving the nail home.

from STAMPEDE page 7

you have to do to be successful," Minnesota head coach Don Lucia said. "When we became unselfish with the puck, the goals started coming."

Soon after the high for the Mavericks with the 3-0 lead, it all unraveled. Once the Gophers found the net, 17:36 into the middle frame, it became second nature once again.

Barry Tallackson flung a wrister that UNO goalie Chris Holt kick-saved into his own net, which brought on a flood of goals for Minnesota.

"I thought we were playing a lot better than the

from CENTARRI, page 1

for this for a long time."

Some other goals Centarri outlined during his campaign are excused absences for athletes, a bike path through Elmwood Park, campus beatification, the installation of sexual assault prevention week, establishment of a recycling program at Scott Hall and Scott Village and the creation of an MJ Java coffee shop on campus.

Centarri has been involved in several campus organizations, including student government, DECA, Catholic Campus Ministry, American Humanics Student Association, the Gateway and Greek Endeavor. He currently serves as Resident Assistant at Scott Village.

Off campus, Centarri's involvement includes the Muscular Dystrophy

Association, the North American Food Drive, Boy Scouts of America, American Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity and Catholic Charities.

Miller, Centarri's vice president of choice, is a junior in recreational therapy in the College of Education. Miller has been a member of student government as sophomore senator for almost a year.

While running against an incumbent may put him at a disadvantage in some ways, Centarri says the advantage for him is that he can present himself in a new light to people who have no preconceived notions of him.

"The only thing I can do is present myself," he says. "If the voters don't see that and think that Joe or Jono are better, I will accept that."

from ALAS page 9

"We're trying to get kids involved, getting them interested in education," Sanchez said, mentioning that she herself initially heard of the group while attending Omaha South High School.

An important philanthropic activity for the group is its annual toy drive for St. Agnes Mission School, now in its fifth year. ALAS works with the South Omaha Boy Scout troops in the drive to provide for lower-income families in the South Omaha Community. Proceeds benefit both the Boys

Scouts and St. Agnes.

ALAS members will begin selling popcorn and raffle tickets near the end of October or early November, Lewis said.

ALAS will continue to provide numerous social and civic activities, but is looking to increase its membership, Sanchez said.

Non-Latinos are welcomed to join the group.

"It's open to everybody," Sanchez said. "Other organizations support us and we support them."

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In spite of only hitting .157, McLeay managed 16 kills and 17 digs giving her 17th double-double on the year. Ashley Freeman added 11 kills.

The Mavs drop to 10-12 overall and

1-5 in the NCC while SDSU earned its first NCC victory improving to 11-9 (1-5).

Next up for the Mavericks is a home stand with North Dakota and North Dakota State Oct. 31 and Nov. 1.

from VOTE, page 1

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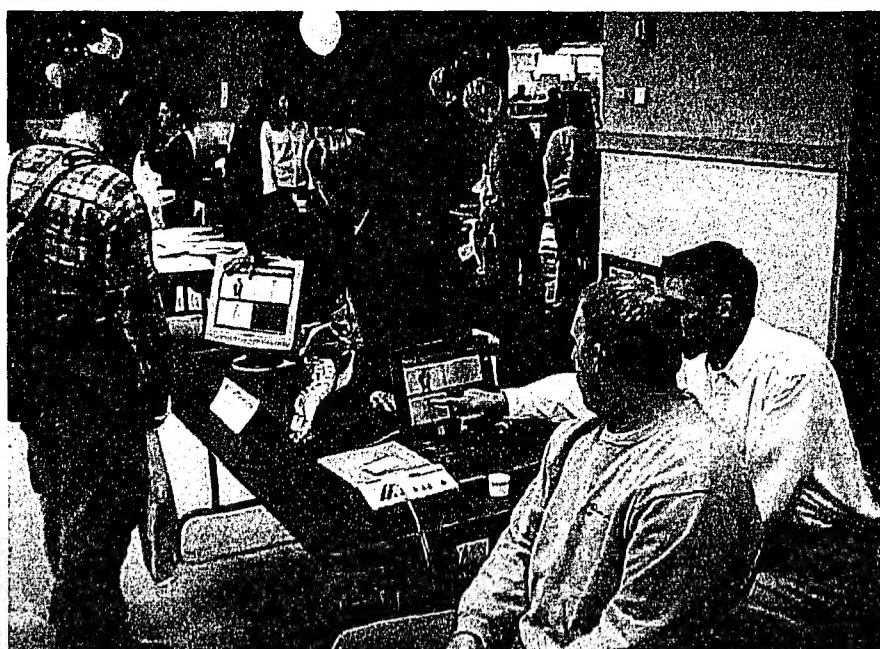
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Students participate in a spinal test at last year's health fair. This year, various tests will be available to students, faculty and staff at reduced costs.



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A Kellogg's representative presents a variety of the cereals the company has to offer during last year's health fair.

UNO health promotion program plans to go paperless

MARION RHODES
News editor

Since its creation in 2000, the UNO Wellness Stampede has become increasingly popular on campus. For the third annual Health Fair, program coordinators plan to surprise visitors with the kickoff of a new service.

A subdivision of the Wellness Stampede, Mav Tracks is an incentive program that rewards students, faculty and staff for the healthy choices they take in their daily life. Participants in the program get points for exercise or good nutrition, which so far, they kept track of by filling out a sheet of paper or an e-mail spreadsheet.

Dave Daniels, assistant director for fitness/wellness and instructional programs

at UNO, said in the future, Mav Tracks participants won't have to worry about tallying their points anymore.

Wellness Stampede officials have been working with Information Technology Services to

create a Web-based program which will automatically add up the points as people submit them into the program. As soon as people reach a prize level, they and the Wellness Stampede will automatically be

notified of their reward eligibility.

Daniels said the paper tracking or even the e-mail method could be a deterrent for people because "they don't want to take the time to fill out those things." He said the new program would make things a lot easier so that in the future, they will be able to go completely paperless.

About 900 faculty, staff and students have signed up for Mav Tracks since its creation three years ago, Daniels said.

The Mav Tracks program is just one part of the Wellness Stampede, however.

One of the reasons the program was started was to bring support to all the different programs that were already on campus, Daniels said.

Today, the Stampede includes the annual Health Fair in October, the Weight Watchers on Campus program, as well as special events such as a Poker Walk/Run in February, National Employee Health and Fitness Day in May and the Great American Smoke-Out in November.

Daniels said the goal of the Wellness Stampede is to get the campus community to adapt healthy behavior that incorporates the five components of wellness: physical, emotional, intellectual, spiritual and social.

Daniels said, "A lot of people still don't know about our programs." That's why the Stampede offers presentations to campus departments at the beginning of each semester to let them know about the programs that are available on campus.

The Wellness Stampede has already won a bronze award from the Wellness Council of America two years ago. This fall, they applied for the silver award.

"I think we're right on the borderline," Daniels said.

They [students]
don't want to take
time to fill out
those things.
Dave Daniels

Trick-or-treating at the UNO Health Fair

Marion Rhodes
News editor

Thirty-one vendors will set up their booths at UNO for the 2003 "Harvest for Health" Health Fair, Oct. 23. The event will run from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second floor of the Milo Bail Student Center.

A variety of health, wellness, fitness and many other organizations will offer free screenings, information and giveaways to students, faculty and staff. Vendors include Blue Cross/Blue Shield, the Nebraska AIDS project, the Outdoor Venture Center, Kelloggs, Wal-Mart Vision and Weight Watchers.

"It's basically like trick-or-treating," said Kane Miller, graduate assistant for fitness and wellness programs at UNO. "Everybody walks out with a bag of goodies."

Tetanus boosters will be offered for \$10. The fair also includes a comprehensive blood draw, where people will be checked for their cholesterol panel, thyroid, liver and kidney function, diabetes and more. Men can have a prostate cancer screen included in the blood results for an additional \$12.

The screening, which has a \$300 value, will be available for \$22. Registration with Student Health Services at 554-2374 is required before the event.

Miller said the event, which is in its third year, has drastically increased in popularity since its start. While an estimated 250 people attended the fair in 2000, last year's event counted almost 800 visitors, he said.

The fair is sponsored by Student Health Services and the Wellness Stampede, UNO's health promotion program.



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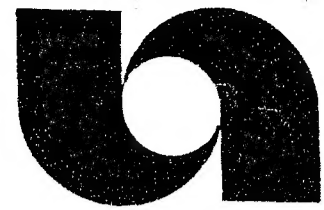
Some of last year's health fair freebies included contact lens solution (above), T-shirts and healthy snacks.



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Above: Leaves on the south side of UNO's parking garage are beginning to fall as the season continues to change.

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Above: The scene surrounding UNO's campus show the colors of fall.



Right: Trees and shrubs around campus have begun changing colors and will soon fall.

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